

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical module locking mechanism has locking means for locking a locking member swingably arranged in a case which forms part of an optical module and a cage for housing the case to each other, and a lever pivotably arranged on the case and capable of moving the locking member to release a locking state of the locking means. The locking means is released from the locking state by pulling the lever in a direction in which the optical module housed in the cage is drawn out of the cage. According to this optical module locking mechanism, the locking means can be released from the locking state by pulling the lever in the direction in which the optical module housed in the cage is drawn out of the cage, and the optical module can be removed from the cage by subsequently continuing to pull the lever in the same manner.